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JOINT EMBASSY/COMUSK MESSAGE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, MILI, KS, US

SUBJECT: SCM DRAFT COMMUNIQUE

REF: SEOUL 5854

1. DRAFT COMMUNIQUE ROKS HAVE PROPOSED (REFTEL) FOLLOWS LINES PAST COMMUNIQUE AND WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO WORK OUR MUTUALLY AGREEABLE DRAFT AT HONOLULU. OUR SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDED CHANGES FOLLOW: (KEYED TO NUMBERED PARAS IN ROK DRAFT).

A. PARA 1 IS ALMOST IDENTICAL TO LAST YEAR'S COMMUNIQUE. MINISTER SUH'S MEETINGS WITH USG OFFICIALS AND ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES HE ENGAGES IN SHOULD EVENTUALLY BE INCORPORATED.

B. RELATIVELY QUIET NOTE OF ALARM SOUNDED PARA 2 AGREEABLE TO US AS LONG AS IT IS ATTRIBUTED SOLELY TO MINISTER SUH. REVISE LAST SENTENCE

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PARA 2 TO READ: "SECRETARY SCHLESINGER TOOK NOTE

MINISTER SUH'S DESCRIPTION OF THE SITUATION AND AGREED  
ON THE NECESSITY OF CONTINUING VIGILANCE."

C. PARA 3 SENTENCES TWO AND FOUR SHOULD BE ELIMINATED.  
SENTENCE 1 PARA 3 SHOULD BE REWORKED  
TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "BOTH DELEGATES AGREED THAT IT  
WAS ESSENTIAL TO MAINTAIN THE DEFENSE CAPABILITIES OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND TO MAINTAIN THE COMBINED  
FORCES DEFENDING KOREA AT A SUFFICIENT STATUS OF  
READINESS TO PREVENT THE RENEWAL OF HOSTILITIES AND  
MAINTAIN PEACE AND SECURITY ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.  
IN THIS CONNECTION, SECRETARY SCHLESINGER REAFFIRMED  
THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS NO PLAN  
TO REDUCE THE PRESENT LEVEL OF UNITED STATES ARMED  
FORCES STATIONED IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA."

D. WE HAVE NO SUBSTANTIVE PROBLEMS WITH PARA FOUR  
BUT BELIEVE IT IS SOMEWHAT OUT OF PLACE IN DEFENSE  
MINISTER'S STATEMENTS AND COULD BE SHORTENED CONSIDERABLY  
WITHOUT CHANGING ITS EFFECT.

E. LAST SENTENCE PARA 5, WORD "STRENGTHENING"  
SHOULD BE CHANGED TO "MAINTAINING."

F. SECOND SENTENCE PARA 6 SHOULD BE REWRITTEN  
AS FOLLOWS: "THE TWO DELEGATES NOTED THAT THE ORDERLY  
AND EXPEDITIOUS COMPLETION OF THE MODERNIZATION  
PROGRAM IS VITAL TO THE SECURITY OF THE REPUBLIC  
OF KOREA.

G. PARA 6, THIRD SENTENCE REVISE AS FOLLOWS:  
"SECRETARY SCHLESINGER ALSO STATED THAT THE UNITED  
STATES RECOGNIZED THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA'S NEED FOR  
A CONTINUING MODERNIZATION PROGRAM AND ASSURED  
MINISTER SUH THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD STRIVE TO  
ASSIST IN OBTAINING THAT OBJECTIVE."

H. CHANGE LAST HALF OF SENTENCE TWO, PARA 7  
TO READ: "AND ASSURED THAT HE WOULD RENDER  
APPROPRIATE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO ROKG EFFORTS IN  
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THIS FIELD."

2. EMBASSY/COMUSK DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THESE PROPOSED  
CHANGES WILL PROVE UNEXPECTED FOR ROKS AND WE SEE NO  
NEED TO ENGAGE IN EXTENSIVE NEGOTIATIONS WITH ROK  
SIDE OVER COMMUNIQUE PRIOR TO SCM.

3. INSTEAD WE SUGGEST THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED AT

THIS TIME TO GIVE ROKG WASHINGTON SUGGESTED  
DRAFT INCORPORATION ABOVE CHANGES NOTING THAT  
WE WILL WORK OUT FINAL VERSION AT HONOLULU.  
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